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HONGKONG, December 22nd, 1900

THE state of affairs described by the Inspection Committee, consisting of Messrs. E. Osborne and J. McKie, at the time of their visit to Wanchai on the 4th instant, was called by Major Brown at Thursday's meeting of the Sanitary Board "painful," and no one, we imagine, will quarrel with this use of the epithet. The overcrowding of the City and the increase of rents have long been subjects of discussion in Hongkong, but the question, as is only natural, has been chiefly regarded from the point of view of Europeans of small means. On them no doubt the inconveniences and hardships of the conditions now prevailing fall with especial force, and it is from them that complaints have mainly come. The poorer Chinese, however, have not been less affected by the changes which have come about in the price of living, but with their national disregard for what foreigners esteem comforts they have left their state to be discovered by the Inspectors. By this we do not mean that they have not asked, and obtained, rises in wages on account of the dearness of food; but they have allowed the squalor and congestion of their home surroundings to grow worse and worse. Messrs. Osborne and McKie remark that the upward tendency of rents continues, and until relief is provided there is little hope of any real or lasting improvement in the sanitary condition of our slums. The instances which they give of prevailing conditions are indeed unpleasant to read. The conclusion at which they arrive, put in their own words, is:—"The whole town east and west, go where you will, appears to be more overcrowded every day, and high rents, congested streets, polluted drains, filth and plague, point with unmistakable warning to the great need that exists for more space, more room for expansion." This opinion will be endorsed—already held—by every sensible man in the Colony. But expansion takes time. Hongkong has been talking of expansion for a considerable period now, but we see no steps being taken to force the question forward. The Government alone can act in the matter, but it rests with others to make this subject of overcrowding what it ought to be, the subject of the day. During the years 1894, 1896, 1898—1900, we have had

to combat epidemics of plague which carried off an average of between one and two thousand persons per annum. It may be remembered that a little over a year ago the question came up at the Legislative Council whether overcrowding had much to do with plague mortality, and it then appeared from statistics that the most overcrowded districts were not those in which the plague deaths reached the highest average. We remarked then that for the purposes of the enquiry comparisons between the different districts were likely to prove misleading and that, with the population moving freely about the city, the exposure to infection was scattered over the whole. No one can deny that overcrowding leads to insanitary conditions; and that there is an intimate connection between plague and dirt, as indeed there is between most other diseases and dirt, there seems no room for doubt. In Nallah Lane, one of the streets mentioned in Messrs. Osborne's and McKie's report, five plague cases occurred this year; in another, Wing Fung Street, twelve. An examination of Dr. Clark's report on this year's epidemic will reveal how many cases occurred in the immediate neighbourhood of the squalid and ill-ventilated places visited by the Inspection Committee on the 4th instant. Amid a great diversity of opinion on matters connected with bubonic plague, there is at least an agreement of opinion that abundance of fresh air is one of the best preventives. It is always in the slums that that grip of the epidemic is so difficult to shake off, in whatever part of the world it takes hold. Now it is no doubt Utopian to imagine that we can ever make our poor Chinese population live in really well-ventilated buildings. But we can in time secure a tolerable state of affairs. Not, however, within our present area. The population has outgrown that; by how much the approaching Census will show accurately. The remedy lies in expansion; but in expanding we cannot drive the workmen to live at a greater distance from their work without giving them facilities for getting to and from it quickly. In other words, as the suburbs extend some means of transit from them to the centre of the city must accompany the extension. No other sanitary improvements can do more than tinker with the question. We trust that the Sanitary Board will not let this all-important subject rest. There is far more good work to be done here than in the discussion of some points which occupy much of the Board's time. Moreover, many of the minor problems of expansion that they can really be cured.

The Tientsin Amateur Dramatic Club is preparing to perform Gilbert and Sullivan's *Patience* at the Tientsin Theatre.

On our fifth page to-day we publish the first part of a special article on "After the Famine in India," by the Rt. Hon. Sir Richard Temple.

The British hospital ship *Carthage* returned from Calcutta yesterday, and the German cruiser *Kaiserin Augusta* arrived from Tientsin.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, the Hon. Treasurer of the Seamen's Church and Mission Fund, acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following further subscriptions:—  
The Rev. E. F. Cobbold, M. A. \$25.  
His Honour Sir John Carrington \$20.

The attention of our readers is drawn to the advertisement of Mr. I. M. Lago in another column. This artist is the possessor of credentials attesting his abilities in his profession, and intending pupils should make early application to secure his services.

The Japanese *Shimpo* learns that a native diving contractor, K. Sato, has signed a contract to raise the Norwegian steamer *Calanda* as she lies sunk at the entrance to the harbor. The diver expects to complete the task within the short period of one month.

A Japanese contemporary says:—Japan has refused to join the Treaty Powers in prohibiting the import into China of firearms and war materials. In view of the large export of sulphuric acid from Japan, this decision is hailed with the utmost satisfaction by the manufacturers and exporters of the acid.

The Band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. The programme will be:—  
March "Soldiers of the Guard," Lovey Overture "Light Cavalry," Jones Selection "The Geisha," Jones Intermezzo "Cavalleria Rusticana," Masegall Selection "Pirates of Penzance," Gallantry Dance "Desdemona," Solomon Green Polacca "Picaroon," "God save the Queen."

The Secretary of State has sanctioned the addition of 504 horses to the establishment of Artillery in India to be distributed in the proportion of 22 additional horses to each of the six R. H. A. and 21 to each of the R. F. A. batteries. Three hundred will be purchased this year at an estimated cost of two and three quarters lakhs of rupees, and the remainder next year. The recruitment of one hundred men per Infantry Battalion in China is sanctioned, also ten per cent. on the peace strength of cavalry regiments and (imperial) companies, the estimated cost being two lakhs initial and 4 lakhs recurring.

The Government of Burma proposes starting shortly an extensive rubber plantation on King's Island, the principal island of the Mergal Archipelago.

The Government of India have decided to bear all charges connected with the despatch of the Indian contingent to the Australian Commonwealth celebrations.

A sort of Christmas consignment of Australian beef is now en route from Brisbane to Manila in the transport *Glacier* for the U. S. bluejackets on that station.

Captains C. K. Busher and C. F. L. Mullikin, R.G.A., have arrived in Singapore from India and Hongkong respectively, and have been taken on the strength of the command.

A Calcutta telegram of the 6th inst. says:—The following are the final entries for the Viceroy's Cup:—*Brave Hindustani*, *Up-Guard*, *Gulabur* and *Influence*, all belonging to the Maharajah of Jodhpore, and *Simon*, belonging to Mr. Apear.

The enterprise of Ceylon planters is again shown by the fact that the Planters' Association there have just voted a sum of £3,000 to Mr. William Mackenzie for the purpose of pushing and advertising Ceylon tea in America next year, and a similar sum to Mr. Renton for the same purpose on the Continent of Europe.

The Amir of Afghanistan, in an autograph letter received by Sir Aquin Martin at Calcutta, makes the following reference to the Transvaal War:—"It is matter for great congratulation to know that success has attended the British arms and how bravely the British have fought. It is also a happy thing to see that the Transvaal has been subdued and its pride broken."

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Whyte of Raab have arrived at Singapore on their way to Australia on a holiday. Mr. J. Eglinton, so long associated with Raab and other enterprises, mining and pearling, in this part of the world, carries on administrative duties at Raab during the absence of the Mine Manager, Mr. Whyte. All goes well at Raab, says the *S. F. Press*, and the fact that Mr. Whyte considers himself able to take leave is the best possible sign that everything is running smoothly.

For the use of the German troops in China the German Government has ordered ten thousand head of live cattle from Brisbane shippers, who are executing the deal with something like "extra despatch." Within a few days of the receipt of the order the *s.s. Den of Atride* left Brisbane for Taku, and she was quickly followed by the *s.s. Boveas* and the *s.s. Montcalm*, so that the German soldiers in North China will have plenty of "good cheer" at Christmas tide.

The championship tournament of the Singapore Chess Club, and says:—Craig wins the championship with 7½ points, the highest possible being 9, Miles coming next with 7 points. Speaking from a general point of view, the result is very satisfactory, as it breaks up the monotony of one player winning over time. Craig is to be congratulated on his success, which it would be foolish to attribute to luck only, the true explanation of it being his work and hard study of the intricacies of the game.

Sir John Murray, the scientist, arrived at Singapore on the 9th inst. from Christmas Island. Sir John, who is chairman of the Christmas Island Phosphate Co., was part of the expedition which took part in the Challenger expedition in 1872-76, which undertook the exploration of the physical and biologic conditions of the great ocean basins. The return of the expedition he was appointed first assistant of the staff charged with publishing the scientific results of the expedition. He has since taken part in several deep-sea exploring expeditions, and is author of many scientific works. He was made a K.C.B. in 1898, and he has half-a-dozen other titles after him, including that rare distinction, a Prussian Order Pour le Mérite.

A recent issue of the *Gazette* of the Government of India gives the following additional appointments to the Staff of the Expeditionary Force: Captain G. W. Jones, 3rd Punjab Cavalry, to be Provost Marshal, Tientsin. Captain R. B. Low, 9th Bengal Cavalry, to be Headquarters Camp Commandant in addition to his duties as Provost Marshal. Captain A. W. S. Wingate, 1st Co. Legation, to be Special Service Officer Intelligence Work, with the status of A. G. Captain MacC. R. E. Ray, 7th Buffs, Field Intelligence Officer, to be A. G. Lines of Communication, Tientsin. Captain G. F. S. Menzies, 1st Chinese Bde, to be D. A. Q. M. G. Lines of Communication, Tientsin. Lieutenant B. F. R. H. 20th Bombay Infantry, to be Field Troop Officer, Peking. Brevet-Major Scott, D. S. O., 1st Sikh Infantry, to be Commandant, Lines of Communication, Tientsin. Lieutenant E. C. Cragh, 4th Punjab Infantry, Adjutant, Native Base Depot, Peking. Staff Officer, 2nd class, Wellesley Battalion, to be General Staff Officer, Peking. Colonel L. Campbell, Base Commandant in charge of Lines of Communication, to be General Staff Officer, Peking. Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. 20th Bombay Infantry, to be Adjutant-General, Lines of Communication, Peking.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVES.

The E. & A. steamer *Gallicia*, under command of Captain G. H. H. and etc. left Port Darwin yesterday for this port.  
The O.P.R. steamer *Empire*, under command of Captain G. H. H. and etc. arrived at Kobe at 8.30 p.m. on the 20th inst., and left again at midnight for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 2 a.m. on Monday, the 24th inst.

## TELEGRAMS

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

## THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

SHANGHAI, 21st December, 9.19 p.m.

## THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Sheng declares that the peace negotiations are making no progress.

## AN UNLIKELY STORY.

A doubtful rumour at Shanghai states that a French force is preparing to make a descent on Hankow from the north.

## REPORTED MAHOMMEDAN RISING.

The *Universal Gazette* states that forty thousand Mohammedans have raised a rebellion in Kansu against the Manchus.

LONDON, 20th December, 6.15 p.m.

## A DELAY AT PEKING—CAUSED BY TELEGRAPH.

A Washington despatch reports that the delay in negotiations at Peking was due to a telegraphic error in Mr. Conger's instructions from Mr. Hay. The misunderstanding has now been rectified.

## GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 20th December, 6.15 p.m.

## AUSTRALIAN MINISTRY TO BE FORMED.

Lord Hopetoun has requested the Premier of New South Wales to form a Federal Ministry for the new Australian Commonwealth.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 19th December.

## FRANCE AND CHINA.

France restores to China everything taken by French soldiers except war material.

## SPEECH BY LORD SALISBURY.

Lord Salisbury at the Conservative Union said that, speaking at a time of some anxiety and without knowing exactly what had taken place, the glory of our Empire rested on the issue of a great enterprise in which England

## LORD ROBERTS'S RETURN.

The proposed service at St. Paul's on the return of Lord Roberts has been abandoned and the thanksgiving service deferred, until the operations in South Africa are concluded.

## NORTHERN NOTES.

The following items are from the *P. & T. Times* of the 8th inst.

The railway to Chingwangtao is expected to be open about the 15th inst.

The natives in Peking are not a little astonished at the manoeuvres carried on by the foreign bullock corps.

We learn that Chang Yen-mah, who is still in Peking with Li Hung-chang, is in frequent communication with Tung and Tuan.

On dit that the Russians are really going to hand over the railway to the Germans on the 1st of the Russian New Year.

The last river trip from Tangku to Tientsin with cargo was made on Thursday, and the lighters are now being docked for the season.

Jung Lu, on reaching the Court, although he strongly condemned the policy of having supported the Boxers, urged the Court not to return to Peking while the foreign troops were there in such force.

The line to Peking may be open for limited traffic in a few days. An engine is shortly to be sent over the line to test it. Trains will probably not run with their former speed or frequency, but it will be a great thing to have the line open at all.

News is reported of a large Chinese force on the borders of southern Chihli. Some say the troops are Chang Chi-tung's, but for what purpose they appear here is unknown. Others affirm that they are Yuan Shih-kai's, commanded by himself and Gen. Ma.

Tientsin residents were startled about 4.30 on Monday morning by a loud explosion, apparently some three or four miles distant. Subsequent investigation showed that two coolies had somehow ignited a quantity of gunpowder at the East Arsenal, where the Russian camp is, and both were blown to pieces. By some it is thought to have been accidental; others think it was intentional, but if so, the effects must have been characterized by a touch of provocation.

From private Peking advices we learn the "Mahomedans to the West and North" are in open revolt against the Government. The Empress Dowager and her outfit were compelled to fall back towards Tientsin, so she is now between two fires, the old lady will no doubt be in Tientsin in a few days. Chinese rebellion in South is spreading, and the country, as I might say the people, are dividing up in three lots, Mahomedans, Cantonese, and the Dowager's bunch. According to Chinese reports here, the Dowager Empress, if not protected by foreigners, will soon be at the mercy of the Mahomedans.

Re-Tsai, Tan Wan-hsin, who was among the officials seized and condemned by the military at Peking, was brought in here under a strong German guard on the 3rd inst., and marched through the Settlements. He was executed outside the North Gate of Tientsin City at 11 o'clock on the 7th, having been previously paraded before his countrymen as a condemned man. He was justly indifferent up to the last, and made some offers of £5,000 if persons would get him released. Documentary proof was found in the Yamen that he had acted as paymaster to the Boxers at one time, and he is known to have taken a very active part in the proceedings generally, while in Peking. He was recovered till this morning at half-past nine o'clock.

## POLICE COURT.

Friday, 21st December.

Before Mr. KEMP.

## ALLEGED SERIOUS TREASON.

A Chinese "boy" in the service of a European family was charged with stealing from a key in the Hongkong Regiment barracks to the value of \$347. He pleaded not guilty.

The complainant deposed that he was standing at a money-changer's in Queen's Road Central, getting notes for silver pieces. He received three \$100 notes, two \$50 notes, five \$20 notes, and two \$5 notes; he put the money, which represented loot taken at Tientsin, into his waistcoat pocket, and walked away with his friends. At a shop not far from the money-changer's one of them stopped to bargain for something, and a crowd of Chinese gathered round. Complainant felt a hand slipped into his pocket and the money, which was rolled in a handkerchief, extracted. He wheeled round, and saw a Chinaman—the defendant—running away. A friend of the complainant took up the pursuit and caught the defendant, who threw the money away. The handkerchief, however, was found inside his jacket.

Defendant said the handkerchief belonged to himself and was used for the purpose of carrying provisions. A seaman in the Australian naval contingent gave corroborative evidence. He was along with the complainant and his friends, and heard the former "sing out" that his money was gone. Witness then saw the defendant running away and being captured.

A private in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers said he saw the defendant dodging round the crowd, with a white handkerchief in his hand. He handed the handkerchief, which apparently contained notes and some silver, over to the counter of the money-changer's shop. The man behind the counter took the handkerchief, shook its contents out, and handed it back to the defendant, who shoved the handkerchief inside his jacket, where it was found when he was caught and searched.

Inspector Warnock explained to the bench that Inspector Cuthbertson had been down to the shop and searched it, but found nothing in the way of notes.

The case was adjourned till Monday first at ten o'clock, pending the appearance in court of the Chinaman who is alleged to have received the notes.

## FASSED COUNTERFEIT MONEY.

The police are taking active steps to suppress an evil that is developing to a serious extent in the colony—the passing and passing of bad money, presumably by a gang or gangs of counterfeiters. As matters at present stand, it is an absolute necessity, when one is receiving change, no matter from whom, to examine every coin, especially ten and twenty-cent pieces, with a view to testing its genuineness, and even then, so clever are the counterfeiters—differing almost in no essential from good money—the chances are, that one is deceived and comes away in possession of the very coins one has been seeking to avoid. However, in view of the attitude of the authorities, there is every reason to hope for an amelioration.

Sergeant Toppin, of this very real evil of these counterfeiters, a man named Tam Ka U, on a charge of tendering and passing two hundred Kwongtung Province counterfeit twenty-cent pieces. These were bought by an informer, who, for \$20, received from this counterfeiter coins to the face value of \$40.

The proposed service at St. Paul's on the return of Lord Roberts has been abandoned and the thanksgiving service deferred, until the operations in South Africa are concluded.

## ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

A Chinaman was charged with attempted burglary at Ravenshill West, Upper Richmond Road, the residence of one Mr. Ralph.

It transpired from the evidence, that early yesterday morning the occupants of the house were roused by hearing shots fired. A search revealed the fact that the dining-room, to which access was gained by the window, had been visited by thieves. Mr. Ralph and another gentleman who lives in the house saw three men skulking in the vicinity, and gave chase, being assisted by an Indian constable whose attention had been attracted by the noise of the shots. No one was discovered, however, and to apprise the police of the affair, Mr. Ralph gave the constable a call for Inspector Baker. The man left, but presently remembered that he had left behind a few things—shoes, a chopper, etc.—that might prove handy in the way of evidence. He returned to the house, but by a different way, and stumbled across a man lying on the ground a few yards from Mr. Ralph's residence. The man was lame, evidently from a fall or a jump, and unable to walk, but the constable, having secured what he had returned for, shouldered him off to No. 7 Police Station. The prisoner was sent to hospital and grinded there till nine o'clock, when, having sufficiently recovered, he was taken before the magistrate.

His Worship expressed the opinion that the defendant was one of a gang of burglars, and that he had sprained his ankle in jumping from the verandah to make his escape. The sentence would be four months' hard labour.

## BEFORE MR. KEMP.

## ALLEGED BREACH OF QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

Edward Frederick Stowell, master of the steamer *Siam*, was charged with neglecting to go into quarantine in Victoria Harbour after a voyage from Singapore, a port infected with contagious disease. He pleaded not guilty, and was defended by Mr. Gedge.

Acting-Sergeant Burchall gave evidence for the prosecution, stating that the *Siam*, on arriving in the harbour here from Singapore, did not fly the quarantine flag, and went to her usual anchorage.

Mr. Gedge contended that there had been no breach of the quarantine regulations. The *Siam*, after clearing from Singapore, steamed to Bangkok, where she discharged her cargo and lay altogether three days. That was the point he wished to particularly press upon his worship—the ship lay at Bangkok for three days, where the voyage terminated; thence she proceeded to Hongkong. Witnesses would be called to prove this.

The chief officer of the *Siam* said she cleared from Singapore on 1st December, and arrived in Bangkok on the 6th, where they discharged the cargo and lay for three days. Witness was not aware that the Hongkong quarantine regulations were published in Singapore, before the *Siam* cleared from there. The prisoner was in Hongkong on the 18th December, at 5.30. The defendant was then sworn, and gave evidence on his own behalf, corroborating what the chief officer had said. In answer to the bench, he stated that he himself took all possible care to be fully informed as to the quarantine regulations existing in ports of call and destination, but he neither saw nor heard from his agents at Bangkok, of any such regulations as affecting Hongkong. He did not know, when he left Singapore, that he was to go to Hongkong, and only learned of it at Bangkok.

## BELLIOH PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual distribution of prizes in connection with the Bellioh Public School for Girls, Hollywood Road, took place yesterday at noon. The interior of the premises had been tastefully decorated for the occasion with flags and plants. There was a large attendance of the parents and friends of the scholars. Mrs. Lockhart was present for the purpose of distributing the prizes, and she was accompanied by her husband, the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.S. (Colonial Secretary), Mr. A. J. May, Acting Chief Master of Queen's College, performed the duties of Chairman, and he was assisted by Mrs. Bateman (the Head Mistress) and Mrs. Tatcher (Assistant Mistress). Mr. J. Dyer Ball and W. J. Tatcho were also present. To begin with, an interesting programme was gone through by the scholars. Dumb-bell and other exercises were admirably executed under the conductors of Sergeant J. Jones, Miss Kileen Chanayut presiding at the piano. Miss Kitty Moore recited:—"The mouse and the cake," and Miss Irene Coleman "Ella and the unweave." A duet on the piano—A Spanish dance by Moszkowski—was contributed by Misses King and Hunter, who acquitted themselves very well and were warmly applauded for their performance. Subsequently Mrs. Lockhart was presented with a beautiful bouquet of red and white roses and maiden-hair fern, tied with pink and white ribbon, the bouquet being handed to Mrs. Lockhart by Miss Irene Coleman.

Mr. A. J. May said:—Mrs. Bateman, the Head Mistress, wishes to make a few remarks for her class of the school. The total number on the roll for this year is 192, and the average daily attendance is 149. Of this number 101, including 40 boys, belong to the Infant Department. Mrs. Bateman returned from England and resumed her duties as Head Mistress on 5th October. Mrs. Tatcher acting as Head Mistress during her absence. The school was examined on the 18th, 19th, and 20th July by the Inspector of Schools, from whose report the following is culled:—"The Head Mistress and the Assistant Teachers are to be congratulated on the result of the examination. After these annual examinations I can confidently say that the Government has every reason to be satisfied with the school. Not only is the general tone excellent, and the behaviour of the pupils good, but a sound and thorough elementary education is also given. The school is divided into an Upper and Junior School. The Junior School, consisting of three classes, is in charge of Mrs. Tatcher, when the Head Mistress is in the Colony. At present (July) Miss K. Turner is in charge, and the infant class is being taught by Miss Olson, a temporary teacher. During the year, classes I and II have been taught by Mrs. Turner, classes III and IV by Miss Long, and classes V and VI by Miss Turner. At present the whole time of the Head Mistress is taken up with teaching. This prevents her from exercising the general supervision which she ought to have over the rest of the school. I do not think that more than half the time of a Head Master or Mistress ought to be taken up with class teaching, and I hope that when occasion arises the services of another trained European teacher will be obtained for the school. The state of the Junior School reflects great credit on Miss Turner and Miss Olson, as they have been working throughout the year without having the benefit of continuous European supervision. Miss Olson has proved herself a competent teacher, and the efficiency of the infant class is higher than it has been for the last two years. Some of the boys appeared likely to be very troublesome at times, and I have suggested to the Head Mistress that as the school is a girls' school, and that many boys ought not to be permitted to hang round the school in the slightest degree, but should be removed from school if they are making no progress. Mrs. Bateman trusts that this much of the Inspector of Schools' report will be sufficient to show that a good and sound work is being done in the institution. That portion of the report which mentions the necessity of another trained European teacher, she heartily endorses, and states that the Government will see its way to supply that necessary want without delay—a matter which she will mention in her report. The school is to be congratulated on having one of its pupils, an Associate in Arts of the University of Oxford viz., Miss Ethel Long, who is the first pupil of this school who has gained the title of A.A. Miss Long has had the whole of her education in this school. On account of excavations and building operations going on below the playground has been in an unfit condition, at least as a tennis court, for some time, and it is to be hoped that the contractor will soon remove the heap of sand, etc., and put it once more into a useful and fit condition. Physical drill has also been carried on throughout the year with what success you have already had an opportunity of judging. I will now ask Mrs. Stewart Lockhart to be kind enough to give away the prizes."

## EXHIBITION DIVISION—1st CLASS.

Composition—Nellie Olson, Girls' Own Annual.  
Arithmetic—Alice Leibel, Blotter.  
Grammar—Lily Song, Book.  
Reading—Lily King, Book.  
Geography—Lily Song, Scent bottle.  
History—Nellie Olson, Scent bottle.  
Map Drawing—Kitty Abraham, Book.  
Distinctions in all subjects—Lily Song, Book.

## 2nd CLASS.

Composition—Sarah Lee, Book.  
Arithmetic—Alice Watson, Book.  
Grammar—Sarah Lee, Book.  
Geography—Margaret Peterson, Ink bottle.  
History—Myra Chan, Yut, Book.  
Map Drawing—Sarah Lee, Ink bottle.  
Application—Fatima Mahomed, Box.

## 3rd CLASS.

1st—Florence Lambert, Book.  
2nd—Hannah Moore, Glove box.  
3rd—Ada Asgar, Pencil.  
4th—Louisa Silas, Blotter.

## 4th CLASS.

1st—Martha Peterson, Work box.  
2nd—Mary Chan, Case of Scent.  
3rd—Ella Hyndman, Book.  
4th—Ella Hyndman, Book.

## 5th CLASS.

1st—Annie Leibel, Paint book and Box.  
2nd—Rebecca Silas, Paint book and Box.  
3rd—Doris Chan, Paint book and Box.  
4th—Sophie Joseph, Pencil box.

## 6th CLASS.

1st—Bertha Lee, Book.  
2nd—Martha Kie and Rachel Levi, Dolls.  
3rd—Clara Goldenberg, Pencil box.

## 7th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 8th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 9th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 10th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 11th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 12th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 13th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 14th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.

## 15th CLASS.

1st—Al. Ros, Case of Scent.  
2nd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.  
3rd—Al. Ros, Pencil box.



**17TH CLASS**  
1st.—Sui Fong, Book.  
2nd.—Jumun Khan, Knife.  
3rd.—George Jackson, Saichol.  
4th.—Frederic Silas, Paint book and box.  
Needlework.—1st, Lily Song, Needle case.  
2nd, Kitty Abraham, Thimble. 3rd, Fatima Alarabia, Thimble.  
Chinese Embroidery.—1st, Johora Mahomed, Work box. 2nd, Yue Wah, Work box.  
Drill.—1st, Alice Leshire, Pair of Glubs. 2nd, Dorothy Lambert, Bracelet. 3rd, Annie Leshire, Doll.  
Recitation.—1st, Irene Coleman, Doll. 2nd, Kitty Moore, Doll.  
Attendance Certificates.—Johora Mahomed, Fatima Alarabia, Alice Vanstone, Sarah Lee, Ada Asgar, Fua Ah So, Lizzie Vanstone, Marian Alarabia, Bessie Browster, George Jackson, Nora Brewster.

**CHINESE DIVISION**  
**STANDARD I.**  
Handwriting.—Lung Kan, Ink bottle.  
Distinction.—Ho Su, Hung An Yung, Li Lin, Handkerchiefs.  
Good Conduct.—Lam Kit Mai, Work box.  
Best Attendance.—Chau Shau Yung, Certificate.

**STANDARD II.**  
Handwriting.—Chung Hau Yau, Pencil.  
Distinction.—Chau Weng, Lau Tani Tip, Chiu In, Handkerchiefs.  
Good Conduct.—Hung Chia Lan, Work box.  
Best Attendance.—Wong Siu Mui, Certificate.

**STANDARD III.**  
Handwriting.—Hong Un Yau, Pencil.  
Distinction.—Ho Kam Mun, Kwek Siu Sim, Lam In Tsing, Lau Tin Yui, Handkerchiefs.  
Good Conduct.—Chau Yau, Work box.

**STANDARD IV.**  
Handwriting.—Chau Mi Yung, Pin case.  
Distinction.—Chung Tin, Ip Mi Tsoi, Lok Sai Sam, Handkerchiefs.  
Good Conduct.—Lung Yung, Work box.  
Best Attendance.—Wong Lin Mui, Certificate.

**STANDARD V.**  
Dictation.—Ma Lin, Mirror.  
Verses.—Hung Mui, Bangle.  
Good Conduct.—Pang Yung, Pencil.  
Best Attendance.—Ma Sin, Certificate.

**SPECIAL PRIZES.**  
Composition.—Cheung Tin, Hand bag.  
Arithmetic.—St. I, Tai Mi Nyo, Ink bottle; St. II, Lo Lai Yui, Ink bottle; St. III, Lo Kin, Scent bottle; St. IV, Lo Po Ling, Scent bottle; St. V, Pang Yung, Scent bottle.

**CHINESE NEEDLEWORK.**  
1st.—Pong Yung, 2nd.—Hung San Yung, 3rd.—Cheung Tin, 4th.—San Kin, 5th.—Ho Kam Moon, 6th.—Lung Kow, Needle case.  
The prizes having been distributed, three hearty cheers were given for Mrs. Lookhart for her services.

The Hon. J. H. STEWART LOOKHART, in responding for his wife, said:—It is not my intention to trouble you with anything like a long speech. You have heard all about the school from Mr. May, and there is very little left for me to add to what he has said. However, I am very pleased to respond on behalf of my wife, and to thank you very much for the hearty manner in which you have returned thanks to her for performing what has been her very great pleasure to come here to-day and give away the prizes, which I am sure were very well deserved. I am sure I am echoing the sentiments of everybody present when I say we are very pleased indeed to see amongst us once more Mrs. Bateman (applause)—and we are especially glad to see that her trip to England has been so much good; and that she has returned here with renewed energy and with a renewed heart with renewed vigour to carry on that education for many years in this colony. (Applause.) I think it ought to be remembered that our thanks are also due to Mrs. Tatcher for the manner in which she discharged the duties of head-mistress during Mrs. Bateman's absence. (Applause.) I am certain from my own personal knowledge that to Mrs. Tatcher is due in a great degree the success which has attended the educational efforts of this school. (Applause.) You will all agree with the remark made by the Inspector of Schools that the work which has been carried on here displays a great measure of efficiency. In fact while I listened to the remarks made by Mr. May there seemed only two things wanting to make the school as perfect as possible. One was the behaviour of the boys, who were said to have behaved very badly. Seeing that they had such an excellent example set them by the other sex, the least they could do was to follow that example. With regard to the suggestion that an additional European assistant should be appointed, I am not able to speak with authority on behalf of the Government, but I may tell you that if an application for another European assistant is forwarded to the Government, it will receive every consideration, and if Mrs. Bateman is able to show us I am sure she will, that another European assistant is necessary, I feel certain that the Government will sanction the engagement of an additional teacher. (Applause.) There was another matter referred to by Mr. May, and that was the unsatisfactory condition of the playground. I think it is very unfair to any school for its playground to be in an unsatisfactory condition. I think that is a matter which should receive immediate attention. If Mrs. Bateman, kindly talk with me on the subject afterwards. I think we shall be able to arrange to do something to repair the playground in a proper state of repair. (Heard, hear.) I have not heard any mention made of the needlework done by the scholars, but my wife has asked me specially to state that she was very much struck with the excellence of the work done in that branch. I am not an authority on this matter myself, but my wife is, and I am certain that if she says it is excellent it is excellent. There is one other matter upon which I think the school is to be specially congratulated, and that is the success which has attended the efforts of Miss Ethel Long. On behalf of all here present I am sure I may take the liberty of offering to her our sincere congratulations on her having passed successfully an examination which entitles her to the letters "A. A." after her name. I trust she will only be the first in a long list of successful candidates in the Oxford Local examinations. (Applause.) I am sure the prize-winners must all have worked very hard. In fact the long list shows it must have been very difficult to decide who ought to have prizes, and who ought not. The prize-winners have been rewarded for their efforts, but I trust that those who have not received prizes will be encouraged, and that next year they will be among the prize-winners. I trust you will all enjoy your holiday and return to the school with a determination to make the best of the advantages given you. I have nothing more to say except that your holidays commence today and will be continued until Monday, January 7th. (Applause.) I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and a really good time. (Applause.) The proceedings closed with the singing of a verse of the National Anthem.

## THE THEATRE.

Last night at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, the Taylor Carrington Company presented the legendary drama *Rip van Winkle*, in which the performers showed to better advantage than they have yet shown in Hongkong. Mr. Charlie Taylor is particularly, as *Rip* himself, proved what a genuinely good actor he is, and his brilliant Dutch-English alone was well worth a visit to the theatre. He scored an emphatic success. Miss Ella Carrington as *Dance van Winkle* was most excellent and in the smaller part of *Bowena* in the third act also pleased the audience. Among the other performers, the chief honours perhaps fall to Mr. C. W. Taylor as *Kuickerbocker*, and to Mr. P. Carlton as *Herman van Blans* in the third act, but they were well supported by the rest of the company.

To-night *Barnes of New York* will be given, when a good house is expected, including the U.S. Consul-General among others.

## IMPORTANT SALE OF LAND.

Acting on instructions from the liquidator of the On Tai Marine Insurance Company, Ltd., Messrs. Hughes and Hough on Thursday disposed of the following pieces of land, centrally situated near the Harbour Offices:—

Lot No. 1.—Comprising tenements known as Nos. 4, 6, 10, 12, and 14, Des Vaux Road West, and containing an area of 4,590 square feet or thereabouts. Bought by San Yung & Co. for \$25,000.

Lot No. 2.—Known as No. 16, Des Vaux Road West, and having an area of 1,551 square feet or thereabouts. Bought by Fung Wai Chuen for \$29,500.

Lot No. 3.—Fronting Connaught Road, and having an area of 1,945 square feet or thereabouts. Bought by Fung Wai Chuen for \$28,500.

Lot No. 4.—Fronting Connaught Road, and containing an area of 1,965 square feet or thereabouts. Bought by Ting Lay Ting for \$28,000.

Lot No. 5.—Fronting Connaught Road, and having an area of 1,900 square feet or thereabouts. Bought by Yuen Lai Chuen for \$28,000.

Lot No. 6.—Frontage to Connaught Road of 16ft. 6in., with a depth on the west side of 13ft. 6in., and on the east side of 13ft. 6in. Bought by Fook Lai Ting for \$35,000.

The grand total realised by the sale was \$234,500.

## VERNON &amp; SMYTH'S SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their Weekly Share Report, dated Hongkong, 21st December:—A fair business has been transacted during the week, the chief feature in the market being a considerable rise in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shares in sympathy with a rise in the London rate, which is now 2 1/2 per cent. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. propose a re-adjustment of their funds by making the existing 12,500 shares of \$125 paid up, into 31,250 shares of \$50 paid up, and a meeting for that purpose is called for Monday, the 31st instant.

MANU—Hongkong and Shanghai continue quiet but steady in the early part of the week, with only small sales at 3 1/2 per cent premium. Later, however, in sympathy with several rises on the London rate, the market strengthened considerably, and fair sales were effected on time at equivalent rates to from 3 1/2 to 3 3/4 per cent premium cash; chiefly for March and April. Cash shares were in some small demand but difficult to obtain. Market closes quiet at 3 1/2 per cent premium. London 2 1/2 per cent. Nationals have advanced without business to 2 1/2 per cent.

MAINE—Liquors are quiet. With the exception of small sales of Unions and Traders at quotations, there is nothing to report under this heading.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong are still on offer at 3 1/2 per cent with small sales. Chinese have changed hands at 5 1/2, closing steadily at 5 1/2.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have ruled quiet at 3 1/2 with sales and but few sales, closing weaker at 3 1/2. Indos at 3 1/2 have been more or less neglected, and Douglas have weakness without sales at 3 1/2. China Manilla unchanged and without business. China Mutuals steady with probable buyers at quotation.

EXCHANGES.—The market continues neglected with China Sugars offering at 3 1/2.

MIXING.—There is very little to report under this heading. Fungions, which have ruled weaker, have changed hands in small lots at 3 1/2. Jolebas at 3 1/2 and later at 3 1/2. Charbonnages at 3 1/2 and Oliver at 3 1/2 and 3 1/2.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks. A few forced sales of settlement shares at 3 1/2 are reported, but at time of writing market is much firmer, with buyers at 5 1/2 per cent premium. On time shares have changed hands at rates equivalent to 5 1/2 per cent, chiefly for March and April. Kwonglong Wharves continue steady with small sales and buyers at 3 1/2, closing with buyers at 3 1/2. Wharves unchanged and without business.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have been placed to a small extent at 1 1/2 and 1 1/2 for 31st inst. and at 1 1/2 for 1st January, closing quiet at 1 1/2. A small demand for March and April is not readily met. Hotels continue firm with sales and buyers at 1 1/2 and an unsatisfied demand forward. West Point, Kowloon, and without business at 1 1/2 and 1 1/2, closing with buyers at the latter rate.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong have improved to 1 1/2 with buyers. Quotations for the Northern Mills are taken from the latest Shanghai Circular, except Enos, which have been placed locally at 1 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Cements have changed hands at 3 1/2, whilst a small demand at 3 1/2 remains unsatisfied. Watsons have been on offer during the week at 3 1/2 without inducing business. Tramways have improved to 3 1/2 with buyers. It is reported that the company will pay a dividend of 1 1/2 per share. China Providents have found further buyers at 3 1/2. Watkins are required for at 1 1/2, but no shares are obtainable even at that advanced rate. New Electrics have changed hands at 3 1/2.

MEMOS.—Extraordinary General Meeting Hongkong Cotton, &c., Company on 22nd inst. Extraordinary General Meeting Fungion Mining Company on 24th inst. General Meeting Star Ferry Company on the 28th inst. General Meeting High Level Tramway Co. on the 27th inst. Extraordinary General Meeting of Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company on 31st instant.

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## CRICKET.

The score in this match at the close of yesterday's play was as under. Play will be resumed at 11 a.m. to-day.

THE CLUB.	55
Captain Ainslie, b. Thurston	42
P. Bercombe Smith, c. and b. Thurston	24
F. Macdonald, c. Legard, b. Thurston	14
Captain Wall, c. Mayhew, b. Thurston	8
R. B. Johnson, c. Mayhew, b. Thurston	8
R. D. Ainslie, c. Mayhew, b. Thurston	23
Capt. Doughty, c. Thurston, b. Salter	10
A. Macdonald, c. Salter, b. Thurston	0
J. A. Higgin, not out	0
G. H. Gifford, not out	0
Extras	17
Total	182

Lieut. Orion, R.N., not out	14
Mr. Gibson, R.N., b. Higgin	4
Lieut. Legard, run out	1
Total (for 2 wickets)	19

The following have been selected to play for United Services v. Hongkong Club on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday:—

Major Dorrill, R.A., Major Dyson, A.P.D., Lt. Strong, R.M.L.I., Mr. Franklin, R.N., Lt. Higgin, R.W.F., Lt. Hill, R.W.F., Capt. Ainslie, 3rd M.I., Capt. Wall, I.M.S., Capt. Krickelboom, 22.B.I., Mr. Salter, E.N., Lieut. Johnson, R.V.F.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

## MOSQUITOES AND MALARIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."  
Hongkong, 19th December.

SIR,—As a visitor comes to this charming island to recover from a "little" of malaria, I have naturally been much interested in the improvements (?) now going on with the hope of stamping out the disease. I have been a heavy sufferer from the disease, both in health and pocket, for the past dozen years, and my experience as a practical man—not a medical—will be corroborated by all other practical men doing outdoor work in the tropics.

Dr. Manson, in whom all tropical men have the greatest faith, originated the mosquito theory. Major Ross proved that only one variety of mosquito carried the malarial germ. Dr. Manson, in the person of his son, proved that the malarial mosquito did not of itself give fever, but acted only as a transmitting agent. His brood bred several lots of malarial mosquitoes from Rome. His son allowed himself to be freely bitten by all, but it was only after the 4th or 5th lot that he developed malaria. They were all the true malarial mosquito and had all come from a very feverish district; still only some 20 per cent. had the power to produce fever. As another experiment two enterprising doctors took out a small mosquito-proof house, and erected it in a notoriously malarial district, in the Campagna near Rome, and took every care not to get bitten by mosquitoes. They lived in this for some two months, and because they did not develop malaria, that short period a large number of our medical men at once say 2 and 2 make 5 and that malaria is the sole cause of malaria. "This is quite overlooking Dr. Manson's proof that they are quite transmitting agents."

I can quote the cases of many young men who have come to the tropics and lived in the most malarial districts for years. The native labour round them was dying off like sheep, and still they did not develop fever, for two or three years, although bitten by millions of mosquitoes in that time. This shows that something in their constitution resisted the malarial germ, and that they were not "fever subjects."

The two months' test of the Campagna was therefore quite legitimate, as these two particular individuals might not have developed malaria, had they lived in their but for any number of years. The mosquito-proof hut was in itself a great protection, as in addition to keeping out mosquitoes it also kept out the miasma (on the principle of the Humphry Davy lamp).

It has been the experience of all practical men in the tropics, for generations, that wherever the soil is disturbed, for any new work of any kind whatsoever, the native labourers resident on the work at once develop malaria. The European having a better constitution, and living better, generally resists it longer than the native.

All the record of malaria from Hongkong to Panama, is now entirely forgotten and overlooked by our mosquito doctors. They have overlooked their hobby, and like the beggar on horseback are riding to the devil.

I have heard of one, the most dangerous local mania, caused by a friend, who argued him round the circle backwards, from the point that mosquitoes cause malaria, to the point that the mosquito had to get it from somewhere else first, when asked where that somewhere else originated, got out of it by saying he might as well ask him the Origin of Species. He admitted the weak point in his hobby, but goes on riding it gaily all the same.

It is common sense to accept the long established fact that malaria is caused by a poisonous gas emitted from the soil. The heat of a tropical sun beating on the earth all day causes fermentation and decay of both mineral and vegetable matter in the soil. At night the earth returns its heat to the atmosphere, and with it gives off poisonous vapours.

Disturb the soil and these vapours are given off in such increased volume that malaria is at once produced. I suppose our mosquito fiends will say that cannot be proved, unless they can erect a gasometer in some suitable place. If, however, they will study the start of any new excavations, and take samples of the soil, as soon as they break down with fever, I have no doubt the malarial germ will be found in sufficient numbers to convince them.

Coming now to the improvements around the sanatorium at Magazine Gap, I see that all the underground and grass is being stopped off, as it is supposed to shelter the mosquitoes. Clearing off the grass is a fatal mistake, as it is taking away the only covering the soil has left. When the heavy rains break, they will sweep down the bare hillside in torrents, carrying away all the surface soil. The effect will be the same as turning over fresh soil. All the gases will be set free and there will be far more malaria than formerly.

As regards the site of the Sanatorium itself I would unhesitatingly condemn it as unhealthy, and would pull the building down and remove it elsewhere. No amount of drainage, placed in the tropics, that houses situated on a top of a small hill, surrounded by higher hills, can be unhealthy. The explanation is a perfectly simple one in the

proposed situation. All the miasma from Hongkong on one side rises up through Magazine and Magazine Gap, and from Aberdeen and Deep Water Bay on the other side. The whole of this miasma is then concentrated on the Sanatorium, drifting through it. The miasma rolls down over the hills, prevents the miasma from rising any higher, and holds it there, until dispersed by the sun at 7.30 on 8 a.m. In other countries, where there are higher mountains, I have seen the clouds hang in a series of "S" and "Z" parallel belts. According to the shape of the surrounding hills, the heights vary in different localities, but the miasma always hangs the same in any one place. These clouds I call malarial mist belts, and if a house is built in one of them it invariably proves unhealthy. I have known it healthy up to 1000 or 200 feet, decay at 300, healthy from 400 to 1000, decay at 1100, healthy from 1200 to 1700, decay at 18-0, and so on up to heights over 3000 feet. This explains why natives living on the edge of a swamp are often quite healthy, while the European, in his bungalow, on a lovely site on the hill above, is frequently suffering from fever. Lastly, as a word of warning, if your medical attendant is a mosquito maniac, avoid him as you would a mad dog, or a man running amok. Either of these can at most kill but a few individuals, while the doctor under the cloak of science slays his tens and invalids hundreds more.—Yours, etc.,

**THE TRAMWAY COMPANY.**  
TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."  
Hongkong, 20th Dec. 1900.

SIR,—The legitimate complaint of your correspondent "Peakite" in this morning's issue concerning the inconvenience and danger of the Plantation Road Tram Station is one of old standing, and dates back to the first days of the station's existence as a working venture. Both danger and inconvenience, however, are greatly intensified, on account of the largely increased number of people who now make use of this station as their terminus. Let me assure "Peakite" that the grievance is likely to continue to exist unremedied. It is an open secret that the company could increase their already ample fares, were they not prevented from doing so by statute. The most convincing evidence of their utter indifference to public wants, is the substantial granite chair-shelter that the Government, through the Tram Company, mind you, is magnanimously erecting at Victoria Gap. More than one lady—my wife among others—has had dresses and shoes hopelessly ruined by contact with the greasy roof, while getting in and out of the car at Plantation Road. Competition might move the General Managers. Nothing short of this will ever cause them to budge. On the contrary, they will sit tight until the agitation becomes so strong that, out of sheer necessity, they will step in and make them a charitable gift of land, or rebuild their station. Their chairs are quoted at 90 per cent premium, and last year they paid a 12 per cent dividend. They say that the fare removed from a state of inactivity, and ought not to pose, but in hand, as newly, wayward beggars. Economy is always praiseworthy, unnecessary stinginess is probably contemptible. I enclose my card, and am, dear sir, yours, etc.,

**HILLS.**  
HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the sixteenth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the Company's Registered Office, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on Thursday, the 27th day of December, 1900, at twelve o'clock, noon:—

We beg to lay before you the report and statement of accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1900.

The traffic receipts for the twelve months, together with transfer fees, amount to \$73,737.05. After paying interest and all running expenses, and making provision for auditors' fees, there remains a net profit of \$2,368.67 carried forward from last year, gives a sum of \$39,611.77 for the year.

Your General Managers and Consulting Committee recommend that a dividend of \$14 per share be paid to shareholders, amounting to \$17,500, and that \$10,000 be carried to the Permanent Reserve Fund, leaving \$3,111.77 to be carried forward to new account.

On the departure of Mr. J. Orange from the Colony in April last, Mr. R. K. Leigh was invited to fill the vacancy, and accepted a seat on the Board. In accordance with Rule 15 of the Company's Articles of Association, the present Board, Messrs. C. E. W. and R. K. Leigh and C. W. Dickinson, retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

In the absence of Mr. Fullerton Henderson from the colony, his place has been taken by Mr. W. H. Gaskell, who has, in conjunction with Mr. W. Hutton Potts, audited the accounts. Mr. Henderson and Mr. Potts offer themselves for re-election.

**JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong 18th December, 1900.

**BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER, 1900.**

**LIABILITIES.**  
Capital account—1,250 shares of \$100 each 125,000.00  
Permanent reserve fund 5,000.00  
Undivided dividends 890.00  
Local and general liabilities 8,553.39  
Total 139,443.39



## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE following are the dates fixed for the PERFORMANCES of "HIS EXCELLENCY."

MONDAY, 11th February, 1901.  
TUESDAY, 12th " "  
WEDNESDAY, 13th " "  
THURSDAY, 14th " "  
FRIDAY, 15th " "  
SATURDAY, 16th " "  
SUNDAY, 17th " "

A further announcement as regards dates for Booking will be made later.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3235]

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THERE will be a SPOON COMPETITION TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 22nd inst., at 2.45 P.M.  
Rangefinder—400, 700 and 800 yards.  
Seven shots and one sighter.  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [93]

## THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LTD. IN LIQUIDATION.

A MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, on SATURDAY, 29th of December, at 11.45 A.M., to receive the Final Statement of Accounts of the Liquidator.

L. LAMBERT,  
Liquidator.

## THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LTD. INCORPORATED 1898.

THE SECOND GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, on SATURDAY, 29th of December, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 30th of September, 1900, with the Report of the Directors.

LUTGENS, EINSTAMANN & CO.,  
General Agents.

## FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship "SAMBIA,"  
Captain Schmidt, will leave for the above ports TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.  
For Freight, apply to  
SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Agents.

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.  
THE Company's Steamship  
Captain Hoffs, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 27th inst., at 4 P.M.  
This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

## "YUENSHANG."

Captain Hoffs, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 27th inst., at 4 P.M.  
This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

## FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

## THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SAMBIA,"  
Captain Schmidt, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M., TO-DAY, the 21st inst.  
Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th instant, at 3 P.M.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Agents.

## THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready and contains:-

Leading Articles:-  
Pacification and Peace Negotiations in the North.  
The Policy of Persistence in China.  
The Chinese and Respect for Antiquity.  
The French in Swatow Neighbourhood.  
The Progress of the Concert.  
The Nightmares of Imperialism.  
The Crisis: Telegrams.  
Legislative Council.  
Sanitary Board.  
The Crisis in China.  
The Navy League.  
Tactical Exercises in the New Territory.  
Murderous Assault at Shatin.  
Occasional Notes.  
Count von Waldersee and the Chinese Representatives.  
The Japanese Navy.  
Canton.  
Manila.  
Fuzhou.  
Chungking.  
Correspondence.  
Fund in Aid of Sufferers from the Typhoon.  
Seamen's Church Mission and Fund.  
The Italian Convent.  
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.  
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co.  
Supreme Court.  
Cricket.  
Football.  
Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.  
Boxing Tournament at the Theatre.  
Hockey.  
Hongkong Volunteer Corps.  
Present Needs in the Philippines.  
Wife Murder at Manila.  
Hongkong and Port News.  
Subscription, \$12 per Annum, payable in advance; postage, 32.  
Extra copies 30 cents each, Cash.  
Copies can be posted from the Office to addresses sent, including postage 34 cents each, or \$1 for three copies Cash.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [3070]

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Administrator to sell by Public Auction,  
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATES OF THE LATE MRS. LAURA MOUNTFORT and RUBY DWYER, WILLIAM HENRY JACKSON, DAN HAYWOOD, EBRAMIM KHAN, KAISER EYING, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 22nd December, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, Ice House Street,  
SUNDY GOODS AND EFFECTS,  
Comprising:-  
SUNDRY CLOTHING, TRAVELLING BAGS, CAMPHOR-WOOD TRUNKS, One SEXTANT, One TELESCOPE, &c., &c.  
Also  
2 DIAMOND RINGS and a quantity of GOLD and SILVER JEWELRY.  
TERMS—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3236]

## THE NAGASAKI ROLLER FLOUR MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, on MONDAY, the 14th day of January, 1901, at 4 O'CLOCK in the Afternoon, when the subjoined resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary Meeting of the Company held on the 20th day of December, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution, "That the Company be wound up voluntarily."

Should the resolution be confirmed, a further resolution will be proposed at the same meeting for the appointment of Frederick Ringer to be Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.

By Order of the General Managers,  
H. U. JEFFRIES,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3237]

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

## THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

CHARLIE ELLA  
TAYLOR CARRINGTON  
Two of the most talented and unquestionably the two most versatile artists that have ever visited the East.  
Supported by their capable  
DRAMATIC & LYRIC CO.

TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY), 22nd Dec.  
3rd SPECIAL PERFORMANCE.  
Production of the beautiful High-class Emotional Drama  
"BARNES OF NEW YORK."  
Under the Patronage of  
MR. ROBERTS WILDMAN, M.A.,  
Consul-General for the United States of America.

Admission Rates—\$3, \$2 and \$1.  
Military and Naval men in Uniform half-rates to Second and Back Seats.  
Reserve Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.  
Special Terms for Theatre Parties over 5 in number.  
Doors Open 8.15. Overture 9 o'clock.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

## THE TAYLOR-CARRINGTON HOLIDAY SEASON PERFORMANCES

will commence on  
BOXING NIGHT, 27th DECEMBER.  
First production in China of the immensely successful Musical Extravaganza  
"TONY TOMMY ATKINS."  
Played by the T.C. Co. throughout India over 200 times.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3177]

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

## ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

## THE THIRD SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT

ARRANGED BY  
Messrs. ALEC MARSH & A. G. WARD,  
will be given on  
THURSDAY,  
27th DECEMBER, at NINE P.M.

Messrs. MARSH and WARD will be assisted by the Leading Local Amateurs and their Pupils.

Prices: Reserved Seats, \$3; Unreserved, \$1.  
Plan of the Hall at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [3229]

## PUBLIC COMPANY

## THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING &amp; DYING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 4, Pedder Street, Victoria, Hongkong, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 22nd December, 1900, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed:—  
Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION.  
That the following Section be substituted for Section 2 of Article XVI, namely:—  
"2.—The General Managers may from time to time advance and lend for the purposes of the Company such monies as they may think necessary or desirable at such rate of interest and upon such terms as they may think fit, but so that the total amount for the time being so advanced and lent shall not at any one time exceed the sum of Two Millions of Dollars. All advances and Loans which up to the date hereof have been made by the General Managers for the purposes of the Company are hereby agreed to and confirmed, and shall be deemed to be, and shall be part of, and included in the said sum of Two Millions of Dollars, and as security for the said sum of Two Millions of Dollars and every part thereof, the General Managers may from time to time mortgage or charge all or any or either or any part or parts of the Company's Property, Lands, Stock-in-trade, Machinery, Goods, Chattels and Effects."

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3088]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 12 and 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 24th day of December, 1900, at 3 O'CLOCK in the Afternoon, when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 8th day of December, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS.  
1.—That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of \$10 each, with the sum of \$8 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorized to accept surrenders of the present 60,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of \$8 each on which the sum of \$8 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of \$10, with the sum of \$8 paid up thereon, be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of \$8 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.

2.—That of the remaining \$2 payable in respect of each of the New Shares, the sum of \$1 be paid on the surrender of the old share, and that the residue be (if necessary) called up and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. H. GASKELL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [3110]

## THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TEAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of December, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1900.

The TRAMWAY BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 29th inst., both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [3137]

## THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 31st day of December, 1900, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, when the undermentioned Resolutions will be submitted to the meeting.

Should these Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS.  
1.—That the following Article be inserted after Article 6, namely:  
"6. The Directors may issue Certificates for fractions of Shares, and provide for the Exchange of such fractional Certificates amounting to a whole Share or number of Shares for Certificates of a whole Share or Shares."

2.—That in Article 11 the figures "1,000" be substituted for the figures "1,000."

3.—That the existing Shares in the Capital, namely 12,500 fully paid up Shares of \$125 each, be subdivided into 31,250 fully paid up Shares of \$40 each.

4.—That in Article 47 the figures "10,000" be substituted for the figures "2,500."

5.—That in Article 53 the words "Four Thousand" be substituted for the words "One Thousand."

6.—That in Article 62 the words "for every complete additional number of Forty Shares" be substituted for the words "for every complete additional number of Ten Shares."

7.—That in Article 71 the words "more than twelve or less than six" be substituted for the words "more than nine or less than four."

8.—That in Article 73 the words "two hundred" be substituted for the word "hundred."

9.—That in Article 98 the words "and bonuses" be deleted, and that at the end of the same Article there be added the following paragraph, namely:  
"The Directors may also, with the consent of, and in such manner, and upon such conditions, and at such times as shall be authorized by Shareholders in meeting, employ the Reserve Fund for the time being, or any part thereof, in the payment of a bonus or bonuses to Shareholders in respect of every Share and fraction of a Share."

By Order of the Board,  
D. GILLIES,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1900. [3205]

## TEBRAU PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FINAL CALL of \$1.00 per Share, made PAYABLE at this Office on the 6th October, 1900, on Shares numbered—  
10901—11000  
11286—11385  
11536—11585  
11786—11885  
14386—14485

must be Paid to the undersigned at the Offices of the Company, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 2nd day of January, 1901, and Notice is also given that in the event of non-payment of such Call at the Office of the Company aforesaid, on or before the said 2nd day of January, 1901, the above-mentioned Shares will be liable to be FORFEITED.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1900. [3204]

## TACK CHONG LOONG, NAVY &amp; MILITARY TAILOR, DRAPER &amp; OUTFITTER.

Garments made by hand, guaranteed perfect fit. Hats, Shirts, Socks, Silk Handkerchiefs, Boots, Shoes, &c., for Sale. New and Fashionable Goods. Prices very moderate.

No. 45, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
Hongkong, 18th October, 1900. [2682]

## INTIMATION

## EYE-SIGHT.

MR. N. LAZARUS,  
Oculist-Optician, of London and Calcutta, may be consulted for SPECTACLES at  
16, Queen's Road Central  
(R. HOUGHTON & Co.)  
(Nearly opposite the HONGKONG HOTEL).  
Business Hours: ... 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A Great proportion of cataracts and diseases affecting those advancing in life occur to those having some deficiency in the construction of the eyes—the many years of "Eye Strain" ending in serious forms of disease. Glasses specially adapted in youth to those requiring them save and preserve the sight.

Constantly recurring headaches, spells of dimness when reading, weak eyes, the letters running together; any of these symptoms indicate a deficiency in the form of the eye requiring Glasses only to correct and cure.

Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTACLES only after testing the sight.

ADVICE FREE. [3126]

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from T. G. HUGHES, Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 22nd December, at 2 P.M. Sharp, within his residence, the "GROVE" and "BERRY," Robinson Road, Kowloon.

Double and Single IRON BEDSTEADS with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARD with BEVELED GLASS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, OVERMANTELS, VIENNA CHAIRS, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS, TOILET TABLES, ICE CHEST, CROCKERY and GLASS WARE, DINNER SERVICE, CARPETS, RUGS, &c., &c.

Catalogues can be had on application to the undersigned.

TERMS—As Usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3214]

## VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES.

situate in Ship Street, in Kowloon.

TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 22nd December, 1900, at 3 O'CLOCK in the Afternoon, at his Auction Room, Duddell Street, by Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Lot 1.—ALL THAT PIECE OF GROUND intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section A of Island Lot No. 602, containing an Area of 983 square feet with the Buildings thereon No. 42, Ship Street. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent \$10.62.

Lot 2.—ALL THAT PIECE OF GROUND intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section B of Island Lot No. 602, Area of 932 square feet. Buildings No. 44, Ship Street. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent \$9.49.

Lot 3.—ALL THAT PIECE OF GROUND intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section C of Island Lot No. 602, Area of 932 square feet. Buildings No. 46, Ship Street. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent \$9.49.

Lot 4.—ALL THAT PIECE OF GROUND intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section D of Island Lot No. 602, Area of 932 square feet. Buildings No. 48, Ship Street. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent \$9.49.

Lot 5.—ALL THAT PIECE OF GROUND intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section E of Island Lot No. 602, Area of 932 square feet. Buildings No. 50, Ship Street. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent \$9.47.

Lot 6.—ALL THAT PIECE OF GROUND intended to be registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Island Lot No. 602, Area of 984 square feet. Buildings No. 52, Ship Street. Proportion of Annual Crown Rent \$10.02.

All the above premises forming the whole of Island Lot No. 602 are held from the Crown for the term of a term of 999 years. The monthly rent for each House is \$76 inclusive of taxes.

For Further Particulars, apply to—  
C. EWENS,  
Vendor's Solicitor,  
or to  
MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1900. [3168]

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 670.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of December, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [3215]

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

The following Particulars and Conditions of the Lotting by Public Auction, to be held on THURSDAY, the 27th day of December, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of the Lots of Crown Land at Fok Tung Heung, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lots.

No. of Lot.

Locality.

Boundary Measurements.

Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches.

Current Annual Rent.

Proposed Annual Rent.

Remarks.

1. 1,115

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Despite the gravest distractions in diverse and distant directions the public mind of England has for several months past been grievously affected by the famine in India. As this famine is not yet over, no man can say whether it will prove the worst among the famines known during this century. It may be worse before being ended, that is to say, perhaps it has not yet reached its worst, but at the best it must prove to be one of the severest known within this half century. In this case, as in several former cases, the Government is applying all its resources with all its mind to the mitigation of distress. So far is this principle carried that relief or succour is available to every man, woman or child who may require the same. But the word require is used in the strictest sense. The succour is at hand, but will every hungry or famishing individual apply for it? Some will languish at home, some will wander aimlessly about, some will in one way or another fail to apply till it is almost, if not quite, too late for the succour to be effectual. Thus it is not too much to say anyone who dies of starvation, does so through his or her own fault or neglect. However, the vast majority will apply in time, will be succoured, will be saved from death by starvation, but whether they will all be saved from death by sickness is quite another matter. An administration that may be all-powerful in the presence of famine may be baffled, if not helpless, in the presence of pestilence. Many an officer will have the chagrin as well as the pity to see those whom he has laboriously saved from famine succumb afterwards to epidemic.

The area of this dreadful distress is in some respects painfully normal, but in two respects at least it is abnormal, and indeed very exceptional. The disaster has befallen Western and Central India in the main, this area has ever been the unhappy hunting ground for the hordes of famine. The oft afflicted districts around and immediately beyond Delhi are again the subjects of affliction. In the Rajput states bordering on the great sandy desert, the harvests always precarious have once more been withered. The long-suffering districts of the Bombay Deccan, which have suffered as often as any districts in India, are again suffering.

On the other hand the rich districts of Gujarat on the coast above Bombay, which have a first rate climatic position and which hardly ever suffer, being blessed with an almost unending plenty, have this year been brushed by the wing of the destroyer. More strange still, the fair regions of Berar and the central provinces which for generations enjoyed immunity from famine have during this year figured in the dark catalogue. Heretofore the vapour mists from the Indian Ocean sweeping over the Indian continent, were in these provinces arrested in their course by the Satpura mountains, and thus were condensed into rain. Last monsoon, that is the monsoon of '99, these vapours must have failed to come, hence the drought and consequent distress.

The population of this famine area may be set down at over ninety millions, about one-third of the total population of the Indian Empire. A portion only of this, however, is really stricken even then, however, more than 5 per cent., perhaps 8 per cent., are downright hungry and are actually being sustained by Government aid. A much larger percentage of course is more or less distressed and embarrassed. The numbers of these cannot of course be exactly estimated but they must be very large. The loss of cattle from the drying up of pasturage must be enormous and incalculable.

Of the population afflicted, say from ninety to ninety-five millions, about half are in British territories, and are cared for with all the resources of civilisation. There might be more anxiety regarding the other half who are in native states, still these native rulers have during the last half century learnt to follow British example in respect to famine relief, as in many other respects, and being naturally humane may be trusted to care fairly well for their people.

The nature of the relief afforded is of two kinds. First, that which is given gratuitously as the official phrase goes, that is to say, pure charity without any return in labour or otherwise. Secondly, that which is given in return for labour upon relief works, or in other words wages. Respecting the gratuitous relief, though there are several modes of affording it, yet no complication arises respecting its distribution. But as regards the relief works, the difficulties are equal in severity to those of the famine itself, that is to say, where large multitudes are collected along a line of road or upon some other public work, epidemics of a deadly character occasionally arise, and the question must present itself to many a victim as to whether it would not have been better to die from the hunger than perish by the pestilence, the only difference would be that the pestilence is swift whereas the hunger would have been slow. The sanitary trail is somewhat in this wise. If a drought-stricken district happens to be somewhere within reach of mountains, whence

flows streams which are not wholly dried up even in time of drought, and if the relief works with their many camps are within walking distance, all may be well. The people receive their daily wage, and their daily dole they eat, and are satisfied, and they walk to the pure water to drink. But, alas! this is the very thing which but too often fails to happen. The same causes which have withered the fields will dry up the streams, and reduce them to the very minimum of water. The water in the wells gets lower and lower, the water in the tanks or artificial lakes is reduced to residuum. The people begin to grub for water in the sandy beds of rivers. It is all this that accounts for the outbreaks of cholera by which the public are shocked. From the same cause also will arise various other forms of epidemic sickness, to which within the last few years has been added the bubonic plague previously unknown. So bad has this become that some critics who think more perhaps of an evil itself than of any possible alternatives, have gone so far as to declare that the relief works sometimes become little more than scenes of death upon a vast scale. There is much melancholy truth in this case as in other extreme cases, and no doubt at the beginning of an onset of cholera or the like, it were better at once to break up the gangs of relief labourers at whatever sacrifice. The consequence would of course be that they would swell the list of the recipients of gratuitous relief. Possibly some critics might say, that under the conditions which unavoidably surround drought and famine, the gathering together of a large number of people, even though they be distributed over miles and miles of area, is so dangerous, so certainly provocative of deadly results, that it were better not to have relief works at all, except where the water supply is unquestionably good. On the other hand, such a conclusion cannot be pushed too far. To give relief wages to able bodied people for nothing, that is without any return in labour—which is the only return they can give—would be in common phrase to pauperise them. Few economists would recommend that wages should be dispensed on a vast scale without work, because the performance of such work might occasionally involve a risk of sickness. It is to be remembered that in drought-stricken districts when not only the granaries are empty but also the water is failing, cholera is apt to be at least sporadic anywhere and everywhere, even if it be not endemic. Thus with or without the assemblages on relief works, there is no escape from cholera, more or less. Therefore, as a rule, the authorities after anxious thought have generally decided that the risk must be run. Although this risk is not excessive, still it does aggravate the sum total of mortality in time of famine.

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LONDON	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	—	Bartlett	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
LONDON	RHIPPUS	Brit. str.	—	Day	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
LIVERPOOL	DARDANUS	Brit. str.	—	Steeves	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	PRINZ HEINRICH	Ger. str.	—	R. Heintze	MELBOURNE & CO.	On 1st Jan., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	OCEANIC	Frenc. str.	—	Schmitt	MELBOURNE & CO.	On 31st inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S. FORM, &c.	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. E. P. Coel	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA COLOMBO	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	—	Forst	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WITTENBERG	Ger. str.	—	Hempel	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 30th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 12th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SILESIA	Ger. str.	—	Müller	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 22nd Jan.
TRIESTE, VIA PORTS OF CALL	GISSLA	Aust. str.	—	F. Moser	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 5th Feb.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—	Forst	SANDRE, WICKER & CO.	On 27th inst., at P.M.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	DEVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Forst	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	Quick despatch.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	R. MORROW	Brit. ship	—	Forst	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On or about 5th Jan.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	Forst	ARNOLD, KARRER & CO.	Quick despatch.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C., V. INLAND SEA, &c.	VICTORIA	Brit. str.	—	J. Panton	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON, &c. VIA JAPAN, &c.	TABATA	Brit. str.	—	G. D. Bowles, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On or about 31st inst.
PORTLAND (OREGON) U.S.A.	ADATO	Brit. str.	—	J. McLarty	ARNOLD, KARRER & CO.	On or about 30th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SKARPSHO	Nor. str.	—	Tollefson	TOTO KISS KAISHA	On or about 10th Jan.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	—	Forst	PACIFIC MAIL S. S. CO.	On 12th Jan., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA AMOY, &c.	CHINA	Amer. str.	—	Forst	U. & O. S. S. CO.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
SAN DIEGO, &c. VIA MOJI, &c.	DORIC	Brit. str.	—	Forst	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	BERGENHUS	Brit. str.	—	Forst	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Helms	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 3rd Jan., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ASTRALIAN	Brit. str.	—	Nelson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th Jan.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TAIYUN	Brit. str.	—	Schmidt	SANDRE, WICKER & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MAIRIE VALENTIN	Ger. str.	—	McKenzie	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
NAGASAKI, SASEBO, KORE & YOKOHAMA	KANAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Hurfurth	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
VLADIVOSTOK	CHARLES ROGIER	Belg. str.	—	Vaughan	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINKIANG	Brit. str.	—	Peterson	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	ELSE	Ger. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KINSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	Knapp	EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI	LOONGMOON	Ger. str.	—	C. D. Bennett	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 24th inst.
SHANGHAI & JAPAN	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	JAVA	Brit. str.	—	T. Leigh	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 5th Jan.
SWATOW	PENINSULAR	Brit. str.	—	Robson	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
SWATOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	AKASHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Suzuki	MIYU BUSSAN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan.
SWATOW VIA AMOY & TAMSUI	TAIYUN MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Ogata	MIYU BUSSAN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWAN	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	—	Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst., at Daylight.
AMOI, SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	KWANG	Brit. str.	—	Godinau	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
QUANG TRUEN WAN, & HOIHOW, &c.	HUE	Frenc. str.	—	Bathurst	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 28th inst., at 10 A.M.
HAIPHONG	HAIPHONG	Brit. str.	—	Weigall	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	G. T. Blackland	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 24th inst., at 5 P.M.
MANILA VIA AMOY	EMERALDA	Brit. str.	—	Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA VIA AMOY	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	Nelson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Stewart	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Jan.
MANILA	TAIYUN	Brit. str.	—		DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	ARRATON APCAR	Brit. str.	—			

## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
Dec. 20, CLYDE, British steamer, 4,098, A. S. Valentini, Shanghai 18th Dec, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
Dec. 20, MIKOSAN MARU, Jap. str., 3,012, P. Hallstrom, Moji 15th Dec, Coal—M. B. KAISHA.  
Dec. 21, HAIDONG, British str., 783, H. Bathurst, Swatow 20th December, General—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.  
Dec. 21, LOONGMOON, German steamer, 1,345, Knapp, Canton 20th December, General—EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.  
Dec. 21, TAIYUN MARU, Jap. str., 820, T. Ogata, Swatow 20th December, General—M. B. KAISHA.  
Dec. 21, BENTLIE, British str., 1,452, Kroble, Moji 15th Dec, Coal—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  
Dec. 21, DEIMA, German str., 734, Christian, Cebu 18th Dec, General—SIEMSEN & CO.  
Dec. 21, TIGER, Norwegian str., 2,116, H. Wold, Kutchinoten 15th December, Coal—M. B. KAISHA.  
Dec. 21, CATHAGE, British hospital ship, 5,197, J. E. Leeson, N.Y. Calcutta 8th Dec.  
Dec. 21, ALEXANDER, Amer. transport, 1,912, Nichols, Manila 15th December.  
Dec. 21, KAISERIN AUGUSTA, German cruiser, Gülich, Tientsin 17th December.  
Dec. 21, SINGAN, British str., 1,053, F. Jamieson, Shanghai 18th Dec, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
21st DECEMBER.  
Sambha, German str., for Yokohama.  
Achilles, French str., for Peking.  
Shantung, British str., for Sourabaya.  
Yasaka Maru, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.  
Tokuang, British str., for Chiocho.  
Clara, German str., for Hoihow.  
Tategami Maru, Japanese str., for Moji.  
Helios, Norwegian str., for Hongkong.  
Wuhu, British str., for Canton.

## DEPARTURES.

Dec. 21, CLARA, German str., for Hoihow.  
Dec. 21, HELIOS, Norwegian str., for Hongkong.  
Dec. 21, YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., for Yokohama.  
Dec. 21, TATEGAMI MARU, Jap. str., for Moji.  
Dec. 21, TAKSANG, British str., for Chiocho.  
Dec. 21, WUHU, British str., for Canton.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

ANDREX DOCK—Wittgenberg, Fuldwood.  
KOWLOON DOCK—Tartar, Clara, H.M.S. Otter, H.M.S. Sandpiper, S.M.S. Weisenburg, Taithe, Duke of Fife, Telamachus.  
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—Argyll, Phranang.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Bentlie, from Moji 15th Dec., had light wind and smooth seas throughout.  
The British steamer Stagan, from Shanghai 18th Dec., had first part light wind from N. to N.E. and clear weather to port.  
The Japanese steamer Kikawa Maru, from Moji 15th Dec., had overcast and hazy weather and N.W. fresh breeze with moderate sea.  
The British hospital ship Cathage, from Calcutta 8th Dec., had fine weather from Calcutta to Straits: strong monsoon and squally with considerable sea up China Sea.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

## FOR WLADIVOSTOCK.

THE Belgian Steamship  
"CHARLES ROGIER,"  
Captain Herfurth, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at 4 P.M., instead of as previously notified.  
For Freight, apply to  
SIEMSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, 20th December. [3220]

## FOR SHANGHAI

THE Steamship  
"ELSE,"  
Captain Peterson, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.  
For Freight, apply to  
SIEMSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1900. [3206]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR HAIPHONG.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "HAILONG,"

Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3221]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR MANILA.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "LOONGSANG,"

Captain Weigall, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at Noon.  
This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1900. [3200]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SHANGHAI.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "CHINKIANG,"

Captain Vaughan, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3196]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "THALES,"

Captain Hobson, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3212]

## FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

## THE Steamship

## "ARRATON APCAR,"

Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at 3 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1900. [3188]

## FOR SHANGHAI

## THE Steamship

## "LOONGMOON,"

Captain Knapp, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 22nd inst., at 5 P.M.  
This steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO., Ltd.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1900. [3103]

## THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "TAIYUN MARU,"

Captain T. Ogata, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 23rd December, at DAYLIGHT.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
THE MIYU BUSSAN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1900. [315]

## NORTHERN PACIFIC

## STEAMSHIP CO.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

## FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

## IN CONNECTION WITH

## NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing
VICTORIA	3,502	J. Panton	December 28
QUEEN ADELAIDE	2,832	F. McNair	January 4
GOODWIN	4,421	A. Jackson	January 18
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THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, £22.  
Excellent accommodation. First class Table, Doctor and STEWARDESSE carried.  
Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the First-Class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.  
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The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent: two trans-continental trains daily from Tacoma; Dining Car is attached to trans-continental trains day and night; TACOMA to NEW YORK in 44 days. Magnificent Scenery of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route.

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The best route to the Klamath, Gold Fields. Frequent sailings from VICTORIA and TACOMA to DYER and St. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.  
A Special rate allowed to members of Government Service.  
For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to  
BODWELL & CO. LIMITED,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [110]

## PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

## STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

## FOR STRAITS TO SAIL ON

## REMARKS.

LONDON, &c. { CLYDE { Noon, 22nd } See Special Advertisement.  
A. L. Valentini { Dep. }

SHANGHAI { CHUSAN { About 24th } Freight or Passage.  
G. D. Bennett, R.N.R. { Dec. }

SHANGHAI AND JA. { JAYA { About 25th } Freight or Passage.  
G. W. Gordon, R.N.R. { Dec. }

SHANGHAI { PENINSULAR { About 5th } Freight or Passage.  
T. Leigh { Jan., 1901. }

## PASSENGER SEASON, 1901.

a.s. PLASSY a. 7,340 tons March 30th; MARSEILLES and LONDON DIRECT  
a.s. SOBRAON a. 7,382 tons April 27th } Without Transshipment.

For Further Particulars, apply to  
A. M. MARSHALL,  
Acting Superintendent  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [1]

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## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD

(FREIGHT SERVICE). (FREIGHT SERVICE).  
Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRINITY, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.  
ARAGONIA { HAVRE and HAMBURG via } Noon, 24th } Freight.  
Capt. Forst { COLOMBO (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } December }

WITTENBERG { HAVRE and HAMBURG } About 30th } Freight.  
Capt. Hempel { (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } December }

SAMBIA { HAVRE and HAMBURG } About 12th } Freight.  
Capt. Schmidt { (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Jan., 1901. }

SILESIA { HAVRE and HAMBURG } About 22nd } Freight and  
Capt. Müller { (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Jan., 1901. }

SIBIRIA { HAVRE and HAMBURG } About 5th } Freight and  
Capt. Drees { (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Feb., 1901. }

These steamers have superior accommodation for passengers and carry a doctor and a stewardess.  
For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, etc., apply to  
CARLOWITZ & CO.,  
AGENTS.  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
OSTASIATISCHER FRECHTAMPFER DIENST.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1900. [19]

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

## ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

## THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA, AND THE UNITED STATES.

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Twin Screw Steamships—8,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

EMPEROR OF CHINA... Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 16th Jan., 1901.  
EMPEROR OF INDIA... Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th Feb., 1901.  
EMPEROR OF JAPAN... Comdr. H. Pybas, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar., 1901.

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SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Pedder's Street,  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [9]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

## (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

KANAGAWA MARU... (NAGASAKI, SASEBO, KOBE and SATURDAY, 22nd Dec., at  
J. McKenzie... YOKOHAMA) 4 P.M.

KINSHU MARU... (SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKO- SATURDAY, 22nd Dec., at  
H. Fraser... HAMA (Taking Cargo and Pass- 4 P.M.  
engers for CANADA and UNITED STATES, transshipping at KOBE per s.s. Tosa Maru, sailing thence 4th January)

SHINANO MARU... (MARSEILLES, LONDON, and FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at  
G. E. P. Coel... ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, DAYLIGHT.  
PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID)

ROSETTA MARU... (SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at  
MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, 4 P.M.  
TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE)

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at Prince's Building, First Floor, Charter Road.

A. S. MIHARA,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [12]

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## FOR STRAITS TO SAIL ON

## REMARKS.

LONDON... CALCHAS... Bartlett... 25th December, 1900.

LONDON... ACHILLES... Brown... 8th January, 1901.

LONDON... RHIPPUS... Day... 22nd January, 1901.

LIVERPOOL... (Taking Cargo at London) DARDANUS... Steeves... 12th January, 1901.  
Rates.)

For Freight, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents O. S. S. Co.  
Hongkong, 17th December,



### VESSELS ON THE BERTH

#### THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Company's Steamship

"CLYDE,"  
Captain A. L. Valentini, carrying Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 22nd December, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to  
A. M. MARSHALL,  
Acting Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [1]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA,"  
Captain Blaxland, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 24th inst., at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for Passengers and is fitted throughout with the Electric Light.

A doctor is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1900. [1941]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIE VALERIE,"  
will leave for the above places on MONDAY, the 24th inst., at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SANDER, WIELE & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1900. [6]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU,"  
Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th December, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [1443]

COMPAGNIE DE NAVIGATION TONKINOISE.

FOR QUANG TRACH, WAN, HOIHOW, TAIKHOI AND HATPHONG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for HANOI, NAM DINH, DAP CAU, VINH, YEN-BAY, LAOKAY and other Provinces of Tonkin.)

THE Steamship

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Captain Godinau, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at 10 A.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Cabins and Saloon are situated above the main deck amidships and special attention has been paid to ventilation which renders the Saloon delightfully cool in Summer.

The Saloon and Cabins are lighted throughout by Electricity.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3218]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG,"  
Captain Outbridge, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [3228]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, FUME, AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZIL, to SOUTH AFRICA, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, MALTA, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

### VESSELS ON THE BERTH

#### U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... FRIDAY, Dec. 28, at NOON.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... TUESDAY, Jan. 22, 1901, at NOON.

CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... THURSDAY, Feb. 14, 1901, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship, "CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU ON FRIDAY, the 28th December, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of OVERLAND Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco; to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consider Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3]

OREGON AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG TO PORTLAND (OR.) AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

TAKING CARGO TO JAPAN PORTS, THE UNITED STATES, AND CANADA.

THE Steamship

"ADATO,"  
2145, Captain J. McIntyre, will be despatched for or about 30th Dec. for PORTLAND (OR.) VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States and Canada.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be accepted at the Office of the Undersigned until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full.

Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to points beyond Portland (Or.) should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, Portland (Or.).

For further information as to Freight rates, &c., apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2965]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOCHOV VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"AKASHI MARU,"  
Captain K. Suzuki, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd January, 1901.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [2524]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in South America, in connection with the CANAL SYSTEM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service from CALCUTTA to SUEZ.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
General Agents for China and Japan.  
Hongkong, 6th August, 1897.

### VESSELS ON THE BERTH

#### CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.

THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "BERGENHUS"..... On 30th Dec.

THE Steamship "BERGENHUS" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on SUNDAY, the 30th December.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [14]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, ALBO.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 31st December, 1900, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship "OCEANIE," Captain Schmitt, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Ville de la Ciotat*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 12th January, 1901, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 30th December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1900. [9]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE Company's Steamship

"TARTAR,"  
Captain G. D. Bowles, R.N., will leave Hongkong for or about MONDAY, the 31st December, 1900.

For VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER, B.C. (via INLAND SEA, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA).

Making close connection at Vancouver with the Canadian Pacific Railway for all points in Eastern Canada, the United States and Europe.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
D. E. BROWN,  
General Agent, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [3168]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"  
Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 6th January.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A daily qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1900. [3184]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. II British Bark

"R. MORROW,"  
Captain Douglas, having arrived, is now loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [288]

### VESSELS ON THE BERTH

#### OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

DORIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... SATURDAY, Jan. 5, 1901, at NOON.

CORPIS (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... TUESDAY, Jan. 29, 1901, at NOON.

GARLIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... SATURDAY, Feb. 23, 1901, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 5th January, 1901, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed the cost of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [4]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... SATURDAY, Jan. 12, 1901, at NOON.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... THURSDAY, Feb. 7, 1901, at NOON.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)..... SATURDAY, Mar. 2, 1901, at NOON.

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

"NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 12th January, 1901, at NOON, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3]

### VESSELS ON THE BERTH

#### NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Screw Steamship

"ROSETTA MARU" (3,411 tons gross) will be despatched for the above port on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at 4 p.m.

This Mail steamer is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Return tickets issued by this Company are available for return by steamers of the other Lines.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
A. S. MITHARA,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3219]

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"HUDSON" will be despatched for the above port about the end of December, and will be followed by the Steamship "POLAR ST. JERNEN" about the middle of January, 1901.

For Freight, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LD.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900. [3045]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN,"  
Captain Holms, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1900. [3189]

FOR PORTLAND (ORE.) U.S.A.

Booking Cargo for SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. and OVERLAND COMMON POINTS of the UNITED STATES, by Connecting Railroads.

THE Norwegian First Class Steamer

"SKARPSNO" will be despatched on or about the 10th January, 1901.

This steamer will be followed about the end of January by

The A.I. Steamship "MONMOUTHSHIRE," Capt. Kennedy, and in February by

The A.I



## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.**—The Post Office will be closed on Monday, the 24th inst., Tuesday (Xmas Day), and Wednesday, the 26th inst., except from 9 to 9 a.m. Correspondence for the Peak and Kowloon may be posted up to 5 p.m. The Night Box will be kept open.

For the purpose of delivering Xmas parcels coming by the S.S. *Chusan*, the Registration Branch will be kept open on Monday, the 24th inst., until Noon.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed on these days.

The *Chusan* will leave the French and English Mails, dated 18th and 22nd November respectively, left Singapore on Monday, the 17th inst., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 13th and 22nd October respectively.

The *Doric*, with the American Mail of the 26th ult., left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 10th inst. at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 27th inst.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Moji, San Diego and San Francisco	Carlisle City	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Haiphong	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Swatow	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore	Singapore	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang	Singapore	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	Manila	Saturday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.

**EUROPE, &c., India via Tutuoria.**  
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)  
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Saigon	Marie Johnson	Saturday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Arratoon Apar	Saturday, 22nd, 2.00 P.M.
Yokohama and Kobe	Sambha	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Yokohama	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Kanahuk and Samahui	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Canton	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Canton	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore and Colombo	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Amoy and Manila	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Canton	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Kanahuk and Samahui	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Canton	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Amoy and Manila	Kinshui Maru	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.

**SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO.**  
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

**Kobe, Yokohama, San Diego and San Francisco.**  
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

**EUROPE, &c., India via Tutuoria.**  
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

**TO-DAY.**  
Sale, Goods and Effects, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 11 a.m.  
Meeting of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., noon.  
Sale, Furniture, Robinson Road, Kowloon, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2 p.m.  
Spoon Competition, Hongkong Rifle Association, 2.45 p.m.  
Sale, Leasehold Properties, Auction Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lamport, 3 p.m.  
Performance by the Taylor-Carrington Co., 9 p.m.

**TO-MORROW.**  
Catholic Union Bazaar, on the Grounds of the Roman Catholic Orphanage, 9 to 9 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

FRIDAY, 21st December.

ON LONDON.—	Telegraphic Transfer	2/04
	Bank Bills, on demand	2/04
	Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2/1
	Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	2/1
	Credits, at 4 months sight	2/1
	Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	2/1
ON PARIS.—	Bank Bills, on demand	2/80
	Credits, at 4 months sight	2/80
ON GERMANY.—	On demand	2/12
ON NEW YORK.—	Bank Bills, on demand	50 1/2
	Credits, 60 days sight	51 1/2
ON BANGKOK.—	Telegraphic Transfer	154 1/2
	Bank, on demand	154 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer	154 1/2
	Bank, on demand	154 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	Bank, at sight	71 1/2
	Private, 30 days sight	72 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	On demand	2 p.c. dis.
ON MANILA.—	On demand	1 p.c. dis.
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON BATAVIA.—	On demand	124 1/2
ON HAIKONG.—	On demand	2 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON.—	On demand	1 p.c. pm.

**OPIMUM.**  
Quotations are— Allowance net to 1 catty.  
Malwa Old ..... \$800 to \$810 per picul.  
Malwa New ..... \$820 to \$830  
Malwa Old ..... \$840 to  
P. P. wrapped ..... \$850 to  
Persian fine quality \$870 to \$920  
Persian extra fine ..... to  
Patna New ..... \$874 to per chest.  
Patna Old ..... \$875 to  
Benares Old ..... \$875 to

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

**THE ENGLISH MAIL.**  
The P. & O. steamer *Chusan* left Singapore for the 17th inst. at 4 p.m. with the outward English mails, and is due here to-morrow at about 8 a.m.

**THE INDIAN MAIL.**  
The Indo-China steamer *Chelidra*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Tuesday, 18th inst., at 5 p.m.

**THE AMERICAN MAIL.**  
The O. & O. steamer *Chusan*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 28th ult., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 20th inst., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

**THE GERMAN MAIL.**  
The Imperial German Mail steamer *Preussen*, with the German mails with dates from the 26th inst., left Colombo on Saturday, the 15th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 27th inst.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY	PAID UP	MARKET VALUE
Hongkong & S.W.	1250	1250
China & Japan	25	25
Do.	25	25
Nat'l Bank of China	100	100
A. Shares	25	25
B. Shares	25	25
Bank of China	25	25
Bank of Communications	25	25
Bank of India	25	25
Bank of Japan	25	25
Bank of Korea	25	25
Bank of Persia	25	25
Bank of Siam	25	25
Bank of Tonkin	25	25
Bank of Yunnan	25	25
Bank of Zibo	25	25
Bank of China	25	25
Bank of Communications	25	25
Bank of India	25	25
Bank of Japan	25	25
Bank of Korea	25	25
Bank of Persia	25	25
Bank of Siam	25	25
Bank of Tonkin	25	25
Bank of Yunnan	25	25
Bank of Zibo	25	25

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day	On 21st Dec.	On 22nd Dec.
Barometer	30.00	30.15
Thermometer	68	69
Humidity	75	76
Direction of wind	W	W
Force of wind	1	1
Weather	W	W
Sea	W	W

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Day of week.	Day of month.	Mean Time.	Height.	Day of week.	Day of month.	Mean Time.	Height.
Sat.	22	10 13 32.25	ft. 11.2	Mon.	23	10 32 32.32	ft. 11.3
Sun.	23	10 16 32.28	11.3	Tues.	24	10 35 32.35	11.4
Mon.	24	11 13 32.33	11.5	Wed.	25	10 47 32.47	11.5
Tues.	25	10 35 32.4	11.6	Thurs.	26	11 32 32.56	11.6
Wed.	26	10 46 32.46	11.7	Fri.	27	11 5 33.05	11.7
Thurs.	27	11 13 32.53	11.8	Sat.	28	11 23 33.13	11.8
				Sun.	29	11 31 33.21	11.9
				Mon.	30	11 38 33.28	12.0
				Tues.	31	11 45 33.35	12.1